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Indications for the south Atlantic states—Much colder; fair weather; winds shifting to northerly; rising barometer.

Two state house officers in New Orleans yesterday were anxious to know if the editor was in. They found him, and the result of the interview was the discovery that it is not always safe to find the editor.

A terrible cyclone swept over the state of Alabama Sunday night. The country visited is principally in the backwoods, and remote from the news centers, but the indications so far are that there has been great loss of life and property.

GENERAL HAZEN is unfortunate in his attempts to secure vindication. The secretary of war has thwarted him in every effort to secure charges against others, and plainly shows that he believes Hazen to be responsible for the Greely disaster.

The last days of Myra Clarke Gaines were as troublous as the rest of her life. Surrounded by people whose only interest was to secure the succession to her property, she was just through the mockery of signing two wills within a few hours of each other, and other documents of similar character may yet turn up.

The debate on the Sherman-Davis controversy in the senate yesterday established the fact that the two monumental asses of the senate are John Sherman and Ingalls. Both men who know the value of a vote, and have grown rich in politics, there is no slander too base for their espousal, nor is anything sacred from their vile vituperation.

REAL REVENUE REFORM.

Referring to recent editorial articles in THE CONSTITUTION in regard to the abuses that have grown up under the internal revenue system, and the necessity for the abolition of that system, a great many of our free-trade and so-called revenue reform contemporaries have been pleased to make very smart allusions to "free whisky" and matters of that sort. Some of them have professed to see in the proposition a rule to keep up the system of protection to American industry, and they make alarmingly wise remarks about the schemes of Mr. Randall and his followers to abolish the internal revenue taxes so that the customs taxes—"taxes on the necessities of the people"—may be kept up for the benefit of the monopolists and so forth.

Now, each and every one of our esteemed contemporaries that has commented on the proposition of THE CONSTITUTION to abolish the unconstitutional internal revenue system, professes to be a genuine revenue reformer. "A tariff for revenue," is the war cry of all of them, but their opposition to the repeal of an unconstitutional and anti-American system of taxation, shows that they do not understand what they would be at. They pretend to be revenue reformers, but when a proposition, looking to real revenue reform, is brought up for discussion, they fly up, and, without reflection, declare that it is a proposition in favor of protection. They refuse to even seriously consider the matter, and the result is that they involve themselves in a flat contradiction from which there is no escape.

This is one of the results of Watson's indiscretion. The Courier-Journal has won a place in journalism in spite of Watson's crankiness, but there are great many who with bated breaths would mistake Watson's indiscretion for logical brilliancy. Consequently, when Watson sets up the cry of "free whisky," his editorial followers persuade themselves that the cry means something, and straightway they echo and re-echo it with undeniable fluency. The country is told, and we are told, that to abolish the internal revenue system, or even to modify it, is a movement which has for its object the fastening of the system of protection more securely on the country, and then these so-called revenue reformers proceed to involve themselves in a hopeless tangle.

The New York Sun shows up their foolishness with meretricious brevity, taking for its text some nonsense which it finds in the editorial columns of the Savannah News, which, following Watson's lead, alludes to the proposition to abolish or modify the internal revenue system as a plan to "make whisky free and keep a heavy tax on tools, machinery, agricultural implements, clothes, blankets and many other necessary things." The Sun points out that this is a contradiction, and it is a little singular that the contradiction has never made itself apparent to the so-called revenue reformers.

"If you make whisky free," says the Sun, "you will have to reduce the duties on tools, machinery, agricultural implements, clothes, blankets, and many other necessary things, in order to promote their importation and to get a revenue therefrom." Though the Sun puts the matter so plainly, it is to be doubted whether the so-called revenue reformers can be brought to see it. They will not see it because they are not disposed to see it. In other words, the most of them are free-traders, and they desire to keep the odious and unjust revenue laws in operation in order to carry out a scheme of free trade that would give the death blow to American industries, especially to the iron and steel. But the country is not prepared for free trade, and will not be until the conditions here are similar to those which brought about free trade in

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JUDGE DAVIS says he is pursued by the ugly face of the woman at poetry he laughed twenty years ago. More than this, Judge Davis is pursued by the contempt of all honest men because he resigned his seat on the supreme bench so that the republican thieves could steal the presidency.

The signs of the times indicate a year of wonder. A few months ago a worthy preacher in Pennsylvania was frightened out of his wits by the apparition of a headless man with a lantern in his hand. In New Jersey a party of sportsmen were broken up and scattered last Friday by a master, covered with slugs, began to bark, and when it broke through the ice on the river, where they were shooting, the beast was bullet proof, and the hunters wisely took to their heels. Reading, Pa., also comes to the front with a first-class sensation. During a revival in a Presbyterian church in that city a phantom suddenly appeared on the wall, striking terror to the hearts of the beholders. The phantom was the outline of the full face and shoulders of a man of heroic size and beauty, and appeared directly over the altar. The "Son of Man" was come to demand such that which was lost."

It will be seen from these three instances, culled at random from our exchanges, that the New Year has opened promisingly from a sensational point of view. Other occurrences of equal interest and mystery may be expected to follow.

It is announced in the New York World that Benoit Davis, judge of the court of claims, is the real secretary of state. This accounts for the fact in the account as well as for the hair on the outside.

BUFFALO, N. Y., boasts of a shoemaker thirty-five years old who has alone taught himself to speak twenty-eight languages. He first began the study of French, and after six years was able to speak it fluently. In five years he acquired the Italian language, Swedish, Norwegian, Spanish, German, Greek and Hebrew. He says that these languages have been picked up at night after a hard and exhaustive day's work, the perseverance of the Buffalo shoemaker cannot but excite admiration. Such examples show what may be accomplished by men who are shut out from the usual advantages of schools and colleges.

With respect to Cleveland, Editor Dana says "he is a lucky fellow." This is a comprehensive comment. In the American republic, luck is regarded as one of the various manifestations of genius.

It is denied that General Jackson fought behind cotton. No one denies that a planter Jackson never denied it, and, for our part, we believe that the lamented old general and a whole generation of gifted women used cotton as a whole.

The late Mrs. Myra Clark Gaines died of a very interesting story of her life-long litigation. Her suit in New Orleans had been pushed to a point where her rights were legally sanctioned, but she was prevented by many legal technicalities from enjoying them. A suit against the city of New Orleans is now pending in the supreme court. This involves about \$2,000,000. The judgments obtained in New Orleans entitled Mrs. Gaines not only to the property, but to the interest during the time she was kept out of possession. As the deeds were warranted by the city, the city defended the suits, and the parties owning the different pieces of property arranged matters so that nothing could be made out of them. The long litigation, it is said, has acted like a blight upon certain quarters of New Orleans, checking all improvements. Mrs. Gaines was offered \$1,000,000 for her chances by a New York syndicate a few years ago, but refused it.

HALESTAD continues his first page articles, and there is no statement of their imbecility. Oh, that this man had an office!

In the matter of receiving gifts, General Grant is getting to be more particular in his old age than he was when president.

WITHIN the last few days the newspapers have chronicled the arrest in several cities of a number of individuals whose conduct excited suspicion. In all of the cases referred to the parties arrested were not charged with any offense



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All observations taken at the same moment of
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NAME	Loc.	WIND.	Bar.	Therm.	Humid.	Weather
ATLANTA	30.20	48.38	N W	Clear	.00	Clear.
Augusta	30.07	50.42	N W	Clear	.00	Clear.
Key West	30.15	72.1	S E	Light	.00	Clear.
Savannah	30.14	57.1	S	Light	.00	Clear.

LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Time of observation.	29.91	57.43	W	Brisk	.57	Clear.
10:31 A.M.	30.07	55.42	N W	Clear	.00	Clear.
2:21 P.M.	30.15	72.1	S E	Light	.00	Clear.
4:31 P.M.	30.14	57.1	S	Light	.00	Clear.
6:31 P.M.	30.14	57.1	S	Light	.00	Clear.
8:31 P.M.	30.14	57.1	S	Light	.00	Clear.
10:31 P.M.	30.14	57.1	S	Light	.00	Clear.
12:31 A.M.	30.14	57.1	S	Light	.00	Clear.
2:31 A.M.	30.14	57.1	S	Light	.00	Clear.
4:31 A.M.	30.14	57.1	S	Light	.00	Clear.
6:31 A.M.	30.14	57.1	S	Light	.00	Clear.
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The weather at other points at 7 A. M.: Augusta, temperature 60, weather fair; Savannah, 60, thunder storm; Mobile, 60, clear; New Orleans, 50, foggy; Galveston, 57, foggy; St. Louis, 25, cloudy; Cincinnati, 38, cloudy; Memphis, 46, clear; Chicago, 25, fair; Dodge City, 15, clear; Omaha, zero, clear; Bismarck, 21 below zero, clear.

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